



REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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